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July 5, 1998

Dear Mr. Newman,

I have never had the opportunity to meet you but feel somewhat familiar with you through your wonderful publications and through a very good friend who recently passed away - Ray Williamson, Lynchburg, VA. I knew Ray for over 20 years. I first met Ray on a business trip to Lynchburg - I collected world trade dollars and had a copy of John Willems book - US Trade Dollars. Ray was mentioned in the Introduction so I gave him a call and had the opportunity to spend some time with him on subsequent visits to Lynchburg. Within two years I was transferred to Lynchburg and lived there for 10 years before transferring back to the Chicago area. During this period Ray and I were able to spend quite a bit of time together - he was a wealth of information. I had hoped to have an opportunity to buy his library but, after his stroke, he forgot I was interested and I hadn't yet moved back to Va. so missed out on a chance to bid on it. Upon retiring in 1997 I moved back to the Lynchburg area (having left most of my children here - now several grandchildren). For your information Hazel has moved into a very nice retirement home - as a matter of fact I will be visiting her next Tuesday. She is having some problems with her hip but otherwise is doing very well.

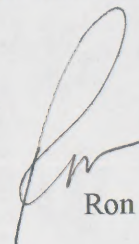
The reason for my letter is a request for assistance. I will be giving a talk at the local Coin Club on Paper Money and, if possible, want to have colored copies of US Paper Money for exhibits. I have all I need except I would like to have one of a Massachusetts Bay Colony (I will make a copy of one from your book The Early Paper Money of America, assuming they were printed black & white - correct?). But the ones I really need are samples of the early Pre-Civil War notes (1812-1861), for example, a color copy of the obverse of one of the 1815 Treasury notes; the obverse of one of the 1842 notes; and the obverse of one of the 1861 notes. Is this possible or can you tell me where I might get such samples? Your name was listed in the copy of The Standard Catalog of US Paper Money that I have as having supplied the copies that are shown in the catalog (black & white).

If this request is not reasonable or practical, please don't bother with it. I will gladly reimburse you for any expense involved in obtaining the copies. A SASE is enclosed and I look forward to hearing from you.

I hope you are doing well and hope to have the opportunity to meet you sometime in the future. Thank you in advance for any assistance you can provide. I got your address from some of Ray's old files which he gave to me before he died - hope this reaches you.

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Take Care,



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Dear Mr. Waddell:

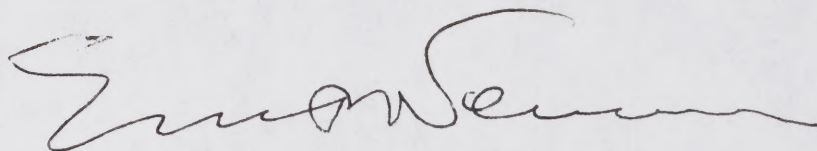
It was a pleasure to know and work with Ray Williamson.

I have been out of town teaching numismatics and thus the delay in answering.

For a talk to a local coin club you can use paper money illustrations from books, either photocopies, slides or transparencies made from the books you have. All those you mention are black and white in the original.

I hope your program goes well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Eric P. Newman".

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